

Approved Meeting Minutes – FCA General Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
7:00 pm
Hosted online via Google Meet

Minutes Recorded by Leeanne Van der Burgt

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1	Call to order, welcome and land acknowledgement	The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm 51 people were in attendance 22 Members were represented	
2	Approval of Agenda	Action Sandy Hill sent their regrets and will be unable present the Spotlight Presentation. ReImagine Ottawa requested an opportunity to speak Motion to approve the Agenda as amended Motion: Phil Sweetnam Second: Bob Brocklebank All if favour	Carried
3	ReImagine Ottawa	Richard Moon spoke on behalf of ReImagine Ottawa. ReImagine Ottawa has created a Working Group on the topic of Lansdowne 2.0 to raise awareness of financial concerns related to the proposal and to ask the Auditor General to consider this in her audit. ReImagine Ottawa will be publishing a paper on the topic. ReImagine Ottawa encourages Ottawa residents to contact the Auditor General's office with any concerns.	
4	Open Mic	Richard Lohead shared a story about an incident it Westboro involving traffic and an individual overdosing. The individual received medical intervention and survived. There will be a session at Sandy Hill Community Centre on the topic of what community association can do in these situations. Chris Greenshields spoke about changes to the Ottawa Neighbourhood Study The housing data may be of interest. Angela Keller-Herzog shared that Glebe Community Association is hosting another Coffee House on Sustainability. There will be a keynote event as part of the CAFES Annual Meeting on March 27.	
5	Approval of the Minutes of the last General Meeting: February 21, 2024	There were no changes nor corrections requested. Motion to approve the February 21, 2024 General Meeting Motion: Bob Brocklebank Second: Paul Johanis All in favour	Carried
6	President's Report	Robert Brinker reported The 2024 Citywide and Area-Specific Development Charge Background Study and the 2024 Stormwater Management Study have been released. The documents will be circulated and are also available on the Engage Ottawa website. There is a 60-day period after the release for public comment and consultation. Please direct questions or feedback to City staff developmentcharges@ottawa.ca	

		<p>The province introduced Bill 162, the Get it Done Act 2024. If passed this would change the height limits along minor corridors from four to six and nine storeys. FCA has spoken out against the way the motion was introduced at City Council and sent a request to the minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing asking that Ottawa retain the minor corridor heights in accordance with the November 2022 Ministry approved New Official Plan. Comments can be made to the Ministry of Industrial Affairs and Housing until March 21 or to the Standing Committee until March 28.</p> <p>The federal government has announced they will provide \$176.3 million to Ottawa to help fast track the building of over 4400 homes, including 1500 affordable homes.</p> <p>FCA is awaiting the release of the release of the Discussion Paper on the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law. This is expected by the end of the month.</p> <p>It is time to renew FCA Memberships. This can be done through the FCA-FAC website.</p>	
7	Presentation	<p>Community Pre-Consultation Process Presented by Amy Byrne with City of Ottawa, Business and Technical Support Services. The slide deck will be available on the FCA-FAC website.</p>	
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8	Treasurer's Report	<p>Lorne Cutler reported The balance is \$30.133 The GIC terms ended earlier in the month. A motion will be presented to the Board at the next Board meeting to reinvest some of the funds. 39 FCA Members have joined or renewed their Membership to date A donation has been received for \$3000. The budget will be passed at the next Board meeting.</p>	
8	Committee Reports	<p><u>Planning & Zoning</u> The Committee is awaiting the release of the Discussion Paper on the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law.</p> <p>The last meeting was dedicated to preparing for the presentation at this meeting on the Community Pre-Consultation process.</p> <p>The next meeting will be April 3</p> <p><u>Transportation</u> The next meeting will be March 2</p> <p><u>Communications</u> The Committee met in February. The primary topic was a public relations strategy for FCA.</p> <p><u>External Relations</u> The Committee has been working with the City on the Community Pre-Consultation Process and preparing the two documents distributed in advance of this General Meeting.</p> <p>The Committee met with Councillor Brown to discuss the Gunning Principles. It was a positive meeting.</p>	

		<u>Governance</u> – Nil <u>Membership</u> – Nil	
9	Working Group Updates	<u>Insurance</u> – Nil This will be removed from future agendas until there are updates. <u>Zoning</u> Bob Brocklebank reported. The Group met on March 11. The primary discussion was parking.	
10	Other Business		
11	Adjournment	Motion to adjourn b Bob Brocklebank at 8:45 pm	